

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
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Skill Development to Tribals
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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any plan to provide education for the upliftment of a large section of uneducated persons particularly tribals/forest dwellers of the country under the skill development scheme;
- (b) if so, the details of the work carried out, syllabus-wise, programme-wise and State-wise;
- (c) the details of number of people who have benefitted under this scheme during each of the last three years; and
- (d) the details of the expenditure incurred under this programme, State-wise and year-wise?

Answer

(a) to (d) There are about 20 Central Ministries/Departments including Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) involved in the implementation of more than 40 schemes for various skill development programmes including those for skill development of tribals/forest dwellers.

Ministry of Tribal Affairs administers a Scheme of Vocational Training Centre (VTC) whereby free vocational training facilities are extended to tribal youth. 100% grants under the scheme are provided to States, Union Territories and other implementing agencies. The Scheme of Vocational Training Centre in Tribal Areas is demand driven. Ministry of Tribal Affairs provides grants based upon proposals received in the Ministry from State Governments as per scheme guidelines. Further, assistance is also provided to the State Governments under Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan (SCA to TSP) and grants under Article 275(1) of the Constitution for skill development programmes and income generating projects.

Ministry is implementing its flagship scheme known as Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) on pan-India basis. PMKVY enables large number of prospective youth, which also includes tribals/forest dwellers, for taking short term fresh training and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) through accredited and affiliated training partner/training centers. The schemes runs across 221 job roles related to 35 Sector Skill Councils, which is a diverse and exhaustive representation of the industry. 20,98,839 people, including tribals, have been trained under PMKVY till 9th March 2017. Under PMKVY, RE 1250 crore and BE 1300 crore have been allocated in FY 2016-17 and FY 2017-18, respectively.